October 15, 2007

RUSSELLVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS DISTRICT LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT AMENDMENT NO. 1

A Local/State public hearing was held at the Russellville Board of Education on October 15, 2007, at 5:31 p.m. (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to approve the Amended District Facility Plan developed by the Russellville Local Planning Committee, and to record any and all remarks supporting or opposing the plan. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 13-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the local board of education voted 5-0 to approve the new plan.

There were (2) individuals in attendance at the hearing. Roger D. Cook, Superintendent, served as the hearing officer in absence of Jay Joines who was on a family vacation. Also present was David Corbin, local board member.

COMMENTS

Mr. Cook called the public hearing to order at 5:31 p.m. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedure in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new Amended District Facility Plan that includes the construction of a new wing of the Russellville High School that will house the 7th and 8th grades. It also discussed omitting the renovation of the 1961 portion of the middle school and instead proposed that five classrooms and a set of restrooms be built at the Stevenson Elementary site. Demolition of the old Russellville Middle School would be complete with the exception of the current media center. The media center would be used for a local board of education meeting room and a general professional development meeting room for the Russellville Independent Schools. The plan also outlined some renovation to Stevenson Elementary School and to the Area Technology Center.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement; none were noted. The hearing officer read into the audio tape that there was no opposition expressed to the proposed Amended District Facilities Plan.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Amended District Facility Plan developed by the Russellville Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Russellville Independent Schools Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Russellville Independent Schools District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by;

Roger D. Cook, Hearing Officer Timothy K. Lucas, KDE Fac. Mgmt.

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director Attachments: Russellville Ind. Sch. District Facility Plan

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